

What is claimed is:

1. A system in which a television program having a plurality of associated tracks having content is distributed to a plurality of users, and wherein the content of each track is in a language and the content of at least two different tracks are in different languages, the system comprising:

an interactive television program guide having various functions and implemented on interactive television program guide equipment having user television equipment, wherein:

the interactive television program guide displays program guide display screen text for each of the various functions in at least one program guide display screen on the user television equipment; and

the user television equipment plays the television program and one or more of the plurality of associated tracks;

means for providing program guide display screen text in one or more languages to the interactive television program guide;

means for providing a user with an opportunity to select a language using the interactive television program guide;

means for displaying program guide display screen text on the user television equipment using the interactive television program guide in the language selected by the user; and

means for selecting one or more tracks having content in the language selected by the user for playing by the user television equipment.

2. The system defined in claim 1 wherein:

the means for providing program guide display screen text in one or more languages to the interactive television program guide comprises means for providing program guide display screen text to the interactive television program guide in a continuous data stream having program guide display screen text in the language selected by the user and program guide display screen text in a language other than the language selected by the user; and

the system further comprises means for filtering the program guide display screen text in a language other than the language selected by the user out of the continuous data stream.

3. The system defined in claim 1 wherein:

the means for providing program guide display screen text in one or more languages to the interactive television program guide comprises means for providing program guide display screen text to the interactive television program guide in response to a demand generated by the interactive television program guide, the program guide display screen text having program guide display screen text in the language selected by the user and program guide display screen text in a language other than the language selected by the user; and

the system further comprises means for filtering the program guide display screen text in a language other than the language selected by the user out of the program guide display screen text provided to the interactive television program guide by the means for providing program guide display screen text.

4. The system defined in claim 1 wherein the means for providing program guide display screen text in one or more languages to the interactive television program guide comprises means for providing program guide display screen text only in the language selected by the user to the interactive television program guide in response to a demand generated by the interactive television program guide.

5. The system defined in claim 1 wherein:
the system further comprises means for indicating a language to the means for providing program guide display screen text using the interactive television program guide; and

the means for providing program guide display screen text in one or more languages to the interactive television program guide comprises means for providing program guide display screen text to the interactive television program guide only in the language indicated to the means for providing program guide display screen text.

6. The system defined in claim 5 wherein the language indicated to the means for providing program guide display screen text is the language selected by the user.

7. The system defined in claim 5 wherein the language indicated to the means for providing program guide display screen text is a default program guide language.

8. The system defined in claim 1 wherein:

the interactive television program guide is programmed with program guide display screen text in one or more languages of which at least one of the one or more languages is the language selected by the user; and

the system further comprises means for extracting the program guide display screen text that is programmed into the interactive program guide in the language selected by the user.

9. The system defined in claim 1 wherein:

the interactive television program guide is programmed with compressed program guide display screen text in one or more languages of which at least one of the one or more languages is the language selected by the user; and

the system further comprises means for decompressing the compressed program guide display screen text that is programmed into the interactive program guide in the language selected by the user.

10. The system defined in claim 1 wherein:

the system further comprises means for providing a user with the opportunity to access a program guide function; and

the means for displaying program guide display screen text using the interactive television program guide in the language selected by the user comprises means for displaying program guide display screen text that is not related to the television program in the language selected by the user.

11. The system defined in claim 10 wherein:
the system further comprises means for
providing a television program having a plurality of
associated languages to the user television equipment;
and

the means for displaying program guide
display screen text using the interactive television
program guide in the language selected by the user
comprises means for displaying program guide display
screen text that is related to the television program
in one of the associated languages when the language
selected by the user is not one of the languages
associated with the television program.

12. The system defined in claim 11 wherein
the means for displaying program guide display screen
text using the interactive television program guide in
the language selected by the user further comprises
means for displaying program guide display screen text
that is related to the television program in the
language selected by the user when the language
selected by the user is also one of the languages
associated with the television program.

13. The system defined in claim 1 wherein
the means for providing a user with an opportunity to
select a language comprises means for providing the
user with the opportunity to confirm the user's
selection of a language.

14. The system defined in claim 1 wherein:
each track associated with the
television program is an analog audio track carrying
analog audio; and

the means for selecting one or more tracks having content in the language selected by the user for playing by the user television equipment comprises means for selecting one or more analog tracks having content in the language selected by the user using the interactive television program guide.

15. The system defined in claim 14 further comprising:

means for determining which of the one or more analog audio tracks carry analog audio in the language selected by the user using the interactive television program guide; and

means for indicating to the means for selecting one or more analog tracks having content in the language selected by the user using the interactive television program guide which of the one or more analog audio tracks carry analog audio in the language selected by the user using the interactive television program guide.

16. The system defined in claim 1 wherein:
each track associated with the television program is an analog audio track carrying analog audio; and

the means for selecting one or more tracks having content in the language selected by the user for playing by the user television equipment comprises means for selecting one or more analog tracks having content in the language selected by the user without activity from the interactive television program guide.

17. The system defined in claim 16 further comprising means for passing a track map and a language identifier using the interactive television program guide to the means for selecting one or more analog tracks having content in the language selected by the user without activity from the interactive television program guide that are used by the means for selecting one or more analog tracks having content in the language selected by the user without activity from the interactive television program guide in selecting one or more analog tracks having content in the language selected by the user.

18. The system defined in claim 1 wherein:
each track associated with the
television program is a digital audio track carrying
digital audio; and

the means for selecting one or more
tracks having content in the language selected by the
user for playing by the user television equipment
comprises means for selecting one or more digital
tracks having content in the language selected by the
user using the interactive television program guide.

19. The system defined in claim 18 further
comprising:

means for determining which of the one
or more digital audio tracks carry digital audio in the
language selected by the user using the interactive
television program guide; and

means for indicating to the means for
selecting one or more digital tracks having content in
the language selected by the user using the interactive
television program guide which of the one or more

digital audio tracks carry digital audio in the language selected by the user using the interactive television program guide.

20. The system defined in claim 1 wherein:
each track associated with the television program is an digital audio track carrying digital audio; and

the means for selecting one or more tracks having content in the language selected by the user for playing by the user television equipment comprises means for selecting one or more digital tracks having content in the language selected by the user without activity from the interactive television program guide.

21. The system defined in claim 20 further comprising means for passing a track map and a language identifier using the interactive television program guide to the means for selecting one or more digital tracks having content in the language selected by the user without activity from the interactive television program guide that are used by the means for selecting one or more digital tracks having content in the language selected by the user without activity from the interactive television program guide in selecting one or more digital tracks having content in the language selected by the user.

22. The system defined in claim 1 wherein the means for displaying program guide display screen text using the interactive television program guide in the language selected by the user comprises means for

displaying currency in a currency format associated with the language selected by the user.

23. The system defined in claim 1 wherein the means for displaying program guide display screen text using the interactive television program guide in the language selected by the user comprises means for displaying time in a time format associated with the language selected by the user.

24. The system defined in claim 1 wherein the means for displaying program guide display screen text using the interactive television program guide in the language selected by the user comprises means for displaying dates in a date format associated with the language selected by the user.

25. The system defined in claim 1 wherein the means for displaying program guide display screen text using the interactive television program guide in the language selected by the user comprises means for displaying parental ratings in a parental rating format associated with the language selected by the user.

26. The system defined in claim 1 further comprising:

means for displaying program information for a program with the interactive television program guide on the user television equipment when the user indicates a desire to view information about the program; and

means for displaying languages in which audio for the program is available with the interactive

television program guide on the user television equipment.

27. The system defined in claim 1 wherein the means for providing a user with an opportunity to select a language using the interactive television program guide comprises means for providing a user with an opportunity to select an alternate language using the interactive television program guide; and

the means for displaying program guide display screen text on the user television equipment using the interactive television program guide in the language selected by the user comprises means for displaying program guide display screen text on the user television equipment using the interactive television program guide in the alternate language selected by the user.

28. The system defined in claim 1 further comprising:

means for selecting an alternate language using the interactive television program guide based on the language selected by the user; and

means for displaying program guide display screen text on the user television equipment using the interactive television program guide in the alternate language.

29. The system defined in claim 1 wherein: the means for providing a user with an opportunity to select a language using the interactive television program guide comprises means for providing a user with an opportunity to select an alternate

language using the interactive television program guide; and

the means for selecting one or more tracks having content in the language selected by the user for playing by the user television equipment comprises means for selecting one or more tracks having content in the alternate language selected by the user for playing by the user television equipment.

30. The system defined in claim 1 further comprising:

means for selecting an alternate language using the interactive television program guide based on the language selected by the user; and

means for selecting one or more tracks having content in the alternate language for playing by the user television equipment.

31. The system defined in claim 1 wherein the means for selecting one or more tracks having content in the language selected by the user for playing by the user television equipment comprises means for selecting a subtitle track having subtitles in the language selected by the user for playing by the user television equipment.

32. The system defined in claim 1 wherein:
the means for providing program guide display screen text in one or more languages to the interactive television program guide comprises means for providing program guide display screen text in a first language and program guide display screen text in a second language;

at least a first portion of the program guide display screen text in the first language is similar to a first portion of the program guide display screen text in the second language;

at least a second portion of the program guide display screen text in the first language is different from a second portion of the program guide display screen text in the second language; and

the means for providing program guide display screen text in the first language and the program guide display screen text in the second language provides the first and second portions of the program guide display screen text in the first language, and the second portion of the program guide display screen text in the second language.

33. A method in a system in which an interactive television program guide is implemented on interactive television program guide equipment having user television equipment, and in which a television program having a plurality of associated tracks having content is distributed to a plurality of users, and wherein the content of each track is in a language and the content of at least two different tracks are in different languages, the method comprising the steps of:

providing program guide display screen text in one or more languages to the interactive television program guide;

providing a user with an opportunity to select a language using the interactive television program guide;

selecting one or more tracks having content in the language selected by the user for playing by user television equipment;

displaying program guide display screen text on the user television equipment using the interactive television program guide in the language selected by the user; and

playing one or more of the selected one or more tracks having content in the language selected by the user on the user television equipment.

34. The method defined in claim 33 wherein:

the step of providing program guide display screen text in one or more languages to the interactive television program guide comprises providing program guide display screen text to the interactive television program guide in a continuous data stream having program guide display screen text in the language selected by the user and program guide display screen text in a language other than the language selected by the user; and

the method further comprises the step of filtering the program guide display screen text in a language other than the language selected by the user out of the continuous data stream.

35. The method defined in claim 33 wherein:

the step of providing program guide display screen text in one or more languages to the interactive television program guide comprises providing program guide display screen text to the interactive television program guide in response to a demand generated by the interactive television program guide, the program guide display screen text having

program guide display screen text in the language selected by the user and program guide display screen text in a language other than the language selected by the user; and

the method further comprises the step of filtering the program guide display screen text in a language other than the language selected by the user out of the program guide display screen text provided to the interactive television program guide.

36. The method defined in claim 33 wherein the step of providing program guide display screen text in one or more languages to the interactive television program guide comprises providing program guide display screen text only in the language selected by the user to the interactive television program guide in response to a demand generated by the interactive television program guide.

37. The method defined in claim 33 wherein:
the method further comprises the step of indicating a language for providing program guide display screen text using the interactive television program guide; and

the step of providing program guide display screen text in one or more languages to the interactive television program guide comprises providing program guide display screen text to the interactive television program guide only in the indicated language.

38. The method defined in claim 37 wherein:

the indicated language for providing program guide display screen text is the language selected by the user; and

the step of providing program guide display screen text in one or more languages to the interactive television program guide comprises providing program guide display screen text to the interactive television program guide only in the language selected by the user.

39. The method defined in claim 37 wherein:
the indicated language for providing program guide display screen text is a default program guide language; and

the step of providing program guide display screen text in one or more languages to the interactive television program guide comprises providing program guide display screen text to the interactive television program guide only in the default program guide language.

40. The method defined in claim 33 further comprising the steps of:

programming the interactive television program guide with program guide display screen text in one or more languages of which at least one of the one or more languages is the language selected by the user; and

extracting the program guide display screen text that is programmed into the interactive program guide in the language selected by the user.

41. The method defined in claim 33 further comprising the steps of:

programming the interactive television program guide with compressed program guide display screen text in one or more languages of which at least one of the one or more languages is the language selected by the user; and

decompressing the compressed program guide display screen text that is programmed into the interactive program guide in the language selected by the user.

42. The method defined in claim 33 wherein:
the method further comprises the step of providing a user with the opportunity to access a program guide function; and

the step of displaying program guide display screen text using the interactive television program guide in the language selected by the user comprises displaying program guide display screen text that is not related to the television program in the language selected by the user.

43. The method defined in claim 42 wherein:
the method further comprises the step of providing a television program having a plurality of associated languages to the user television equipment; and

the step of displaying program guide display screen text using the interactive television program guide in the language selected by the user comprises displaying program guide display screen text that is related to the television program in one of the associated languages when the language selected by the user is not one of the languages associated with the television program.

44. The method defined in claim 43 wherein the step of displaying program guide display screen text using the interactive television program guide in the language selected by the user further comprises displaying program guide display screen text that is related to the television program in the language selected by the user when the language selected by the user is also one of the languages associated with the television program.

45. The method defined in claim 33 wherein the step of providing a user with an opportunity to select a language comprises providing the user with the opportunity to confirm the user's selection of a language.

46. The method defined in claim 33 wherein:
each track associated with the
television program is an analog audio track carrying
analog audio; and

the step of selecting one or more tracks having content in the language selected by the user for playing by the user television equipment comprises selecting one or more analog tracks having content in the language selected by the user using the interactive television program guide.

47. The method defined in claim 46 further comprising the steps of:

determining which of the one or more analog audio tracks carry analog audio in the language selected by the user using the interactive television program guide;

indicating which of the one or more analog audio tracks carry analog audio in the language selected by the user using the interactive television program guide, and wherein:

the step of selecting one or more tracks having content in the language selected by the user for playing by the user television equipment comprises selecting each analog track having content in the indicated language using the interactive television program guide.

48. The method defined in claim 33 wherein each track associated with the television program is an analog audio track carrying analog audio; and

the step of selecting one or more tracks having content in the language selected by the user for playing by the user television equipment comprises selecting one or more analog tracks having content in the language selected by the user without activity from the interactive television program guide.

49. The method defined in claim 48 wherein the step of selecting one or more analog tracks having content in the language selected by the user without activity from the interactive television program guide comprises selecting one or more analog tracks having content in the language selected by the user without activity from the interactive television program guide according to a track map and a language identifier.

50. The method defined in claim 33 wherein:

each track associated with the television program is a digital audio track carrying digital audio; and

the step of selecting one or more tracks having content in the language selected by the user for playing by the user television equipment comprises selecting one or more digital tracks having content in the language selected by the user using the interactive television program guide.

51. The method defined in claim 50 further comprising the steps of:

determining which of the one or more digital audio tracks carry digital audio in the language selected by the user using the interactive television program guide;

indicating which of the one or more digital audio tracks carry digital audio in the language selected by the user using the interactive television program guide, and wherein:

the step of selecting one or more tracks having content in the language selected by the user for playing by the user television equipment comprises selecting each digital track having content in the indicated language using the interactive television program guide.

52. The method defined in claim 33 wherein each track associated with the television program is an digital audio track carrying digital audio; and

the step of selecting one or more tracks having content in the language selected by the user for playing by the user television equipment comprises

selecting one or more digital tracks having content in the language selected by the user without activity from the interactive television program guide.

53. The method defined in claim 52 wherein the step of selecting one or more digital tracks having content in the language selected by the user without activity from the interactive television program guide comprises selecting one or more digital tracks having content in the language selected by the user without activity from the interactive television program guide according to a track map and a language identifier.

54. The method defined in claim 33 wherein the step of displaying program guide display screen text using the interactive television program guide in the language selected by the user comprises displaying currency in a currency format associated with the language selected by the user.

55. The method defined in claim 33 wherein the step of displaying program guide display screen text using the interactive television program guide in the language selected by the user comprises displaying time in a time format associated with the language selected by the user.

56. The system defined in claim 33 wherein the step of displaying program guide display screen text using the interactive television program guide in the language selected by the user comprises displaying dates in a date format associated with the language selected by the user.

57. The method defined in claim 33 wherein the step of displaying program guide display screen text using the interactive television program guide in the language selected by the user comprises displaying parental ratings in a parental rating format associated with the language selected by the user.

58. The method defined in claim 33 further comprising the steps of:

displaying program information for a program with the interactive television program guide on the user television equipment when the user indicates a desire to view information about the program; and

displaying languages in which audio for the program is available with the interactive television program guide on the user television equipment.

59. The method defined in claim 33 wherein:

the step of providing a user with an opportunity to select a language using the interactive television program guide comprises providing a user with an opportunity to select an alternate language using the interactive television program guide; and

the step of displaying program guide display screen text on the user television equipment using the interactive television program guide in the language selected by the user comprises displaying program guide display screen text on the user television equipment using the interactive television program guide in the alternate language selected by the user.

60. The method defined in claim 33 further comprising the steps of:

selecting an alternate language based on the language selected by the user using the interactive television program guide; and

displaying program guide display screen text on the user television equipment using the interactive television program guide in the alternate language for playing by the user television equipment.

61. The method defined in claim 33 wherein:

the step of providing a user with an opportunity to select a language using the interactive television program guide comprises providing a user with an opportunity to select an alternate language using the interactive television program guide; and

the step of selecting one or more tracks having content in the language selected by the user for playing by the user television equipment comprises selecting one or more tracks having content in the alternate language selected by the user for playing by the user television equipment.

62. The method defined in claim 33 further comprising the steps of:

selecting an alternate language using the interactive television program guide; and

selecting one or more tracks having content in the alternate language for playing by the user television equipment.

63. The method defined in claim 33 wherein the step of selecting one or more tracks having content in the language selected by the user for playing by the

user television equipment comprises selecting a subtitle track having subtitles in the language selected by the user for playing by the user television equipment.

64. The method defined in claim 33 wherein:
the step of providing program guide display screen text in one or more languages to the interactive television program guide comprises providing program guide display screen text in a first language and program guide display screen text in a second language;

at least a first portion of the program guide display screen text in the first language is similar to a first portion of the program guide display screen text in a second language;

at least a second portion of the program guide display screen text in the first language is different from a second portion of the program guide display screen text in the second language; and

the step of providing program guide display screen text in the first language and the program guide display screen text in a second language comprises providing the first and second portions of the program guide display screen text in the first language, and providing the second portion of the program guide display screen text in the second language.

65. A system in which a television program having a plurality of associated tracks having content is distributed by a television distribution facility for display by the user television equipment of a plurality of users, and wherein the content of each

track is in a language and the content of at least two different tracks are in different languages, the system comprising:

interactive program guide equipment
having user television equipment;

an interactive television program guide
implemented on the interactive program guide equipment
having user television equipment, wherein the
interactive television program guide is configured to:

provide a user with an opportunity to
select a language using the interactive television
program guide;

display program guide display screen
text on the user television equipment using the
interactive television program guide in the language
selected by the user; and

a main facility configured to provide
program guide display screen text in one or more
languages to the interactive program guide equipment,
wherein:

the user television equipment comprises
an audio selector configured to select one or more
tracks having content in the language selected by the
user for playing by the user television equipment.

66. The system defined in claim 65 wherein:

the interactive program guide equipment
comprises a television distribution facility configured
to provide program guide display screen text to the
user television equipment in a continuous data stream
having program guide display screen text in the
language selected by the user and program guide display
screen text not in the language selected by the user;
and

the interactive television program guide is further configured to filter the program guide display screen text not in the language selected by the user out of the continuous data stream.

67. The system defined in claim 65 wherein:
the interactive program guide equipment comprises a television distribution facility configured to provide program guide display screen text to the user television equipment in response to a demand generated by the interactive television program guide, the program guide display screen text having program guide display screen text in the language selected by the user and program guide display screen text not in the language selected by the user; and

the interactive television program guide is further configured to filter the program guide display screen text not in the language selected by the user out of the program guide display screen text provided to the interactive television program guide.

68. The system defined in claim 65 wherein the interactive program guide equipment further comprises a television distribution facility configured to provide program guide display screen text only in the language selected by the user to the user television equipment in response to a demand generated by the interactive television program guide.

69. The system defined in claim 65 wherein:
the interactive television program guide is configured to indicate a language to the television distribution facility; and

the interactive program guide equipment further comprises a television distribution facility configured to provide program guide display screen text to the user television equipment only in the language indicated to the means for providing program guide display screen text.

70. The system defined in claim 69 wherein the language indicated to the television distribution facility by the interactive television program guide is the language selected by the user.

71. The system defined in claim 69 wherein the language indicated to the television distribution facility by the interactive television program guide is a default program guide language.

72. The system defined in claim 65 wherein:
the interactive television program guide is programmed with program guide display screen text in one or more languages wherein at least one of the one or more languages is the language selected by the user; and

the interactive television program guide is further configured to extract the program guide display screen text in the language selected by the user.

73. The system defined in claim 65 wherein:
the interactive television program guide is programmed with compressed program guide display screen text in one or more languages of which at least one of the one or more languages is the language selected by the user; and

the interactive television program guide is further configured to decompress the compressed program guide display screen text in the language selected by the user.

74. The system defined in claim 65 wherein:
the interactive program guide equipment comprises a television distribution facility configured to provide a television program having a plurality of associated languages to the user television equipment;
and

the interactive television program guide is configured to provide a user with the opportunity to access a program guide function and to display program guide display screen text that is not related to the television program in the language selected by the user.

75. The system defined in claim 74 wherein the interactive television program guide is further configured to display program guide display screen text that is related to the television program in one of the one or more languages when the language selected by the user is not one of the one or more languages.

76. The system defined in claim 75 wherein the interactive television program guide is further configured to display program guide display screen text that is related to the television program in the language selected by the user when the language selected by the user is also one of the languages associated with the television program.

77. The system defined in claim 65 wherein the interactive television program guide is further configured to provide a user with the opportunity to select a language from a list of languages and to confirm the user's selection of a language from the list of languages.

78. The system defined in claim 65 wherein:
each track associated with the
television program is an analog audio track carrying
analog audio;

the audio selector is an analog audio
selector; and

the interactive television program guide
is further configured to determine which of the one or
more analog audio tracks carry analog audio in the
language selected by the user according to a track map
and to indicate to the analog audio selector which of
the one or more analog audio tracks carry analog audio
in the language selected by the user.

79. The system defined in claim 65 wherein:
the audio selector is an analog audio
selector;

each track associated with the
television program is an analog audio track carrying
analog audio; and

the analog audio selector is configured
to select one or more analog tracks having content in
the language selected by the user without activity from
the interactive television program guide.

80. The system defined in claim 79 wherein
the interactive television program guide is configured

to pass a track map and a language identifier to the analog audio selector that are used by the analog audio selector to select one or more analog tracks having content in the language selected by the user without activity from the interactive television program guide.

81. The system defined in claim 65 wherein:
at least one track associated with the television program is a digital track carrying digital audio;

the audio selector is a digital audio selector; and

the interactive television program guide is further configured to determine which of the one or more digital audio tracks carry digital audio in the language selected by the user according to a track map and to indicate to the digital audio selector which of the one or more digital audio tracks carry digital audio in the language selected by the user.

82. The system defined in claim 81 wherein:
each track associated with the television program is an digital audio track carrying digital audio;

the audio selector is a digital audio selector; and

the digital audio selector is configured to select one or more digital tracks having content in the language selected by the user without activity from the interactive television program guide.

83. The system defined in claim 65 wherein the interactive television program guide is configured to pass a track map and a language identifier to the

digital audio selector that are used by the digital audio selector to select one or more digital tracks having content in the language selected by the user without activity from the interactive television program guide.

84. The system defined in claim 83 wherein the interactive television program guide is further configured to display currency in a currency format associated with the language selected by the user.

85. The system defined in claim 65 wherein the interactive television program guide is further configured to display time in a time format associated with the language selected by the user.

86. The system defined in claim 65 wherein the interactive television program guide is further configured to display dates in a time format associated with the language selected by the user.

87. The system defined in claim 65 wherein the interactive television program guide is further configured to display parental ratings in a parental rating format associated with the language selected by the user.

88. The system defined in claim 65 wherein:
the interactive television program guide is further configured to display program information for a program on the user television equipment when the user indicates a desire to view information about the program; and

the interactive television program guide is further configured to display languages in which audio for the program is available on the user television equipment.

89. The system defined in claim 65 wherein the interactive television program guide is further configured to display program information for a program and languages in which audio for a program is available on the user television equipment when the user indicates a desire to view information about the program.

90. The system defined in claim 65 wherein the interactive television program guide is further configured to:

provide a user with an opportunity to select an alternate language; and

display program guide display screen text on the user television equipment in the alternate language selected by the user.

91. The system defined in claim 65 wherein the interactive television program guide is further configured to:

select an alternate language based on the language selected by the user; and

display program guide display screen text on the user television equipment in the alternate language.

92. The system defined in claim 65 wherein:
the interactive television program guide

is further configured to provide a user with an opportunity to select an alternate language; and
the audio selector is further configured to select one or more tracks having content in the alternate language selected by the user for playing by the user television equipment.

93. The system defined in claim 65 wherein:
the interactive television program guide is further configured to select an alternate language using the interactive television program guide; and
the audio selector is further configured to select one or more tracks having content in the alternate language for playing by the user television equipment.

94. The system defined in claim 65 wherein:
at least one of the one or more tracks is a subtitle track; and
the audio selector is further configured to select the subtitle track having subtitles in the language selected by the user for playing by the user television equipment.

95. The system defined in claim 65 wherein:
the main facility is further configured to provide program guide display screen text in a first language and program guide display screen text in a second language;
at least a first portion of the program guide display screen text in the first language is similar to a first portion of the program guide display screen text in a second language;

at least a second portion of the program guide display screen text in the first language is different from a second portion of the program guide display screen text in the second language; and

the main facility provides the first and second portions of the program guide display screen text in the first language, and the second portion of the program guide display screen text in the second language.

96. A system in which a television program having a plurality of associated analog tracks carrying analog audio is distributed to a plurality of users, and wherein the analog audio carried on each analog track is in a language and the audio of at least two different analog tracks are in different languages, the system comprising:

means for providing a user with an opportunity to select a language;

means for selecting at least one analog track having audio in the language selected by the user; and

means for playing the television program and audio from the selected audio track.

97. A method for use in a system in which a television program having a plurality of associated analog tracks carrying analog audio is distributed to a plurality of users, and wherein the analog audio carried on each analog track is in a language and the audio of at least two different analog tracks are in different languages, the method comprising the steps of:

providing a user with an opportunity to select a language;

selecting at least one analog track having audio in the language selected by the user; and playing the television program and audio from the selected audio track on user television equipment.

98. A system in which a television program having a plurality of associated analog tracks carrying analog audio is distributed to a plurality of users, and wherein the analog audio carried on each analog track is in a language and the audio of at least two different analog tracks are in different languages, the system comprising:

an interactive television program guide configured to provide a user with an opportunity to select a language;

an analog audio selector configured to select at least one analog track having audio in the language selected by the user; and

user television equipment configured to play the television program and audio from the selected audio track.